

FEMA Awards Over \$4.2 Million to Suffolk University for COVID-19 Testing Costs

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BOSTON – The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be sending more than \$4.2 million to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to reimburse Suffolk University for the cost of testing students, faculty and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The \$4,201,455 Public Assistance grant will reimburse the private research university in Boston for the cost of contracting to administer 115,844 COVID-19 tests at its campus.

Suffolk University also purchased hand sanitizer, disinfectant, desktop sneeze guards, sanitizing wipes, air purifiers, N95 respirators, medical gloves, half face respirators, safety goggles, and surgical masks as well as contracting for facility disinfection.

“FEMA is pleased to be able to assist Suffolk University with these costs,” said FEMA Region 1 Regional Administrator Lori Ehrlich. “Providing resources for our institutions of higher education to combat the COVID-19 pandemic is critical to their success, and to our success as a nation.”

FEMA’s Public Assistance program is an essential source of funding for states and communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency.

So far, FEMA has provided more than \$1.6 billion in Public Assistance grants to Massachusetts to reimburse the commonwealth for pandemic-related expenses.



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